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- 1. An attempt was made on the night of 27 February 1949 to sabotage the printing presses of El Pais, independent Blanco newspaper in Uruguay.
- An individual with some knowledge of printing presses had apparently been assigned to carry out the sabotage attempt. Bars of iron were wedged into the presses at points where all of the machinery would have been destroyed if the presses had been put into motion.
- 3. Both the directors of El Pais and the Uruguayan police suspect the Communists, but no incriminating evidence has so far been found by the police. El Pais has had no labor trouble and officials of the publication know of no disgruntled employee who might have been responsible for the sabotage attempt.
- li. The Uruguayan police are reported to be somewhat disturbed as this is the first case on record in Uruguay of an attempt of this nature. An effort is being made to keep the incident from becoming public knowledge.

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